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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: Joel L. Johnson

For (title): EASY-OPEN SHROUDED SLIDER-ZIPPER  
ASSEMBLY FOR RECLOSABLE BAG

**1. Type of Application**

This application is an original application.

**2. Papers Enclosed Herewith**

The following papers required for a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are enclosed:

<u>18</u>	Pages of specification
<u>8</u>	Pages of claims
<u>1</u>	Page of abstract
<u>8</u>	Sheets of formal drawings

The following additional papers are enclosed:


<u>    </u>	Declaration and Power of Attorney
<u>    </u>	Assignment
<u>    </u>	Recordation Form Cover Sheet
<u>  X  </u>	Check in amount of \$1,086.00
<u>  X  </u>	Designation of Address for Receipt of Patent Office Correspondence
<u>  X  </u>	Information Disclosure Statement
<u>  X  </u>	Form PTO-1449 (modified)
<u>  X  </u>	Two (2) Citations

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed herewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date January 16, 2004 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", Mailing Label Number EV 270962902 US, addressed to: MS Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**3. Filing Fee Calculation**

The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

Basic fee for large entity		\$770
Total claims in excess of 20	(= 8) × \$18	\$144
Total independent claims in excess of 3	(= 2) × \$86	\$172
Multiple dependent claims	(= 0) \$270	0

Basic Filing Fee Due: \$1,086

**4. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

<u>X</u>	Basic filing fee	\$1,086
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**5. Method of Payment of Fees**

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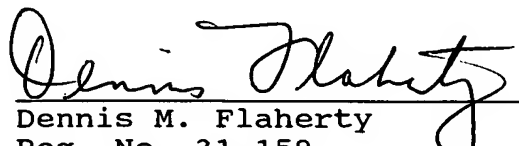
**6. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees required for the filing of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0699.

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**7. Address for Receipt of Patent Office Correspondence**

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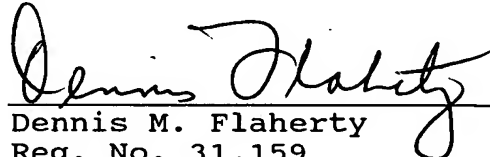
Sir:

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